Mr. K. VENKATARAMIAH.—During the recent visit of the Second Member of Council, people of the localities concerned represented to him that 40 to 50 villages would be benefited by this project, and that they would be prepared to give a contribution of Rs. 40,000 to Rs. 50,000. Will the Government be pleased to sanction the project in view of those representations? Secondly, are the Government aware that the gauging station connected with this scheme was built after all the rains were over?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—I am not aware of the second point referred to. But I shall do what I can when the papers come before me.

Lakkavalli Project.

Q.—34. Mr. Patel BASAPPA (Shimoga Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the estimated cost of the Lakkavalli Project;

(*b*) the amount spent for surveying in connection with the scheme;

(*c*) the extent of land expected to be irrigated in each of the taluks according to the survey estimate?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT (Diwan Bahadur N. N. Ayyangar).—

(*a*) The project as at present contemplated is likely to cost about Rs. 222 lakhs.

(*b*) The expenditure to end of June 1938 is Rs. 1,46,364.

(*c*) Please see statement appended. (*Vide* Appendix)

Ganja Smuggling.

Q.—35. Mr. B. R. CHANDRASEKHARIAH (Shimoga Municipality).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) whether it has come to their notice that reference to Mysore *ganja* has been made in the report relating to the prohibitory activities submitted to the Madras Government by Mr. Dixon, I.C.S. Collector of Salem (published in *the Hindu*, dated 20th July 1938);

(*b*) whether any action has been taken by the Government to prevent the smuggling of Mysore *ganja* into Salem District;

(*c*) the total quantity of *ganja* sold during the last nine months, *i.e.*, from 1st October 1937 to 30th June 1938, in—

(i) Bangalore City.
(ii) Bangalore District,
(iii) the whole of Mysore State;

(*d*) similarly, the total quantity of *ganja* sold from 1st October 1936 to 30th June 1937 in—

(i) Bangalore City,
(ii) Bangalore District,
(iii) the whole of Mysore State;

(*e*) the places in Mysore State where *ganja* is grown and the quantity and value of *ganja* produced from 1st October 1937 to 30th June 1938;

(*f*) similarly, from 1st October 1936 to 30th June 1937;

(*g*) as indicated in Mr. Dixon's report, whether the Government of Madras or the Collector of Salem have sought the co-operation of the Mysore Government in the matter?

A.—The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, LOCAL SELF-GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. P. H. Krishna Rao).

(*a*) Yes. (*Vide* letter No. Fl. 989, dated the 23rd August 1938, from the Secretary to Government, Local Self-Government Department.)

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) (i) 534 seers, (ii) 1,629 seers, (iii) 7,155 seers.

(*d*) (i) 523 seers, (ii) 1,475 seers, (iii) 6,634 seers.

(*e*) Only in the Goribidnur Taluk. No *ganja* was produced during the period referred to.

(*f*) 416 maunds. Price paid to the licence, Rs. 13,490.

Value including duty and price at Rs. 27-8-0 *plus* Rs. 2 per seer of 80 tolas, Rs. 4,90,880.

(*g*) Yes.

Power Generation at Jog.

Q.—36. Mr. B. R. CHANDRASEKHARIAH (Shimoga Municipality).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—